## STRATEGIC GOAL 1 A PREPARED WORKFORCE

Enhance Opportunities for America's Workforce



DOL is committed to enhancing opportunities for America's workforce by providing the tools and assistance necessary for success in today's job market to people new to the labor force or wishing to improve their potential. Special emphasis is placed on closing the employment gap for out-of-school youth and providing long term jobs for individuals moving from welfare to work. In addition, the Department publishes crucial labor market information to support key economic and policy decisions.

Ed, a High School guidance counselor in Harford County, Maryland, helps a student navigate through the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Online Occupational Outlook website.

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